

**TOWN OF GRANBY
YOUTH SERVICE BUREAU ADVISORY BOARD
AND
DESIGNATED LOCAL PREVENTION COUNCIL
SENIOR CENTER/YOUTH SERVICES BUILDING
Minutes
April 13, 2016**

PRESENT: Lori Blackburn, AnneMarie Cox, Daphne Shinder, Courtney Sims, Bill Tyler

AnneMarie Cox confirmed a quorum and began the meeting at 4:02 p.m.

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF LAST MEETING'S MINUTES

ON A MOTION BY Daphne Shinder, seconded by Lori Blackburn, the board voted (3-0-0) to accept the minutes of March 9, 2016 as written. It should be noted that Courtney Sims arrived after approval of the minutes.

YOUTH COUNSELOR REPORT:

- Ms. Cox will host a parent round table discussion on the adolescent brain at the Senior Center/Youth Services building on May 16th and 17th from 7 to 8 p.m.
- A Safe Dates program for middle school kids will be conducted in East Granby in September. It is a 6 week program for boys and girls from Granby and East Granby.
- A suicide prevention workshop will be held on April 26th at 7:00 p.m. in East Granby.
- The JRB is in the process of entering into a regional collaboration with the Town of Hartland.
- Ms. Cox and Scott McDonald will meet on Tuesday to discuss putting together a series of focus groups with kids from the high school.
- Counseling is at capacity with 65 active clients.

YOUTH ACTION COUNCIL REPORT:

- The last 6th grade dance was very successful. Approximately \$1,000 was raised and this year's scholarship is funded.
- The group has an appointment to meet with Sue Hennebry to discuss the future of the sixth grade dance. They would like to negotiate the ability to hold a dance for the sixth graders at the beginning of the school year.
- There will be a retreat at Camp Jewell to start off the year.

OLD BUSINESS

- In his absence, Mark McDermott had forwarded an e-mail message in which the Board of Selectmen had inquired if the YSB could possibly present at their April meeting, which is this Monday. There is not enough time to put this together, especially with it being school vacation week and many YAC members are unavailable. Ms. Cox notified the Town Manager's Office.

NEW BUSINESS

- There is the possibility the State may implement funding cuts to youth services. Although there are no specifics at this time, additional information should be available by the next meeting.

OTHER

- Parks & Recreation is trying to provide more programming for adults.
- Youth Services would like to provide programming for teenage boys. The Y is exploring this as well and they are looking at all types of programs, i.e. sports, arts & humanities, etc.
- Ms. Cox will be putting together a survey for adults to get their input regarding programming, focus groups, etc.

ADJOURNMENT

ON A MOTION BY Lori Blackburn, seconded by Daphne Shinder, the bureau voted (4-0-0) to adjourn at 4:37 p.m.

The next scheduled meeting will be held on May 11, 2016 at 4:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Kane
Recording Secretary